

# IT AIN'T NECESSARILY SO

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**VOICE** *Moderato scherzoso* **SPORTING LIFE**

1. It

**Piano** *mf* *p*

Gmi.

C

Gmi.

C

Gmi.

C

*(happily, with humor)*

ain't ne - ces - sa - ri - ly so, ——— It ain't ne - ces - sa - ri - ly  
2. Da - vid was small, but oh my! ——— Li'l Da - vid was small but oh

Gmi.

C7

D<sup>b</sup>7

C7

D<sup>b</sup>7

so, ——— De tings dat yo' li' - ble To read in de Bi - ble, it  
my! ——— He fought big Go - li - ath Who lay down an' di - eth! Li'l

A7

D7

Gmi.

C7

Eb7

D11

1.

(repeat!)

ain't ne - ces - sa - ri - ly  
Da - vid was small, but oh

so.

Li'l

(repeat!)

Eb7

Db

F#mi.

Gmi.

2.

Gm7

Allegro giocoso

*Like a savage outburst*

Eb7

my!

Wa - doo, -

Wa - doo, -

Ab

Eb7

Bdim.

Ab

D7

Emi.7

SP. L.

ALL

SP. L.

Zim bam bod - dle - oo,

Zim bam bod - dle - oo,

Hoo - dle ah da wa da,

Fm6

D7

Gmi.

D

ALL

SP. L.

ALL

SP. L.

mf

Hoo - dle ah da wa da,

Scat - ty wah. -

Scat - ty wah. -

Yeah!

3. Oh,

subito rit

Gmi.

C

Gmi.

C

Gmi.

C

## Tempo I

Jo - nah, he lived in de whale, Oh, Jo - nah, he lived in de  
Mo - ses was found in a stream, Li'l Mo - ses was found in a

*mf*

Gmi. C7 D $\flat$ 7 C7 D $\flat$ 7

whale, stream, Fo' he made his home in Dat fish-'s ab - do - men. Oh,  
He float - ed on wat - er Till Ole Phar - aoh's daugh - ter She

A7 D7

1. Jo - nah, he lived in de whale. Li'l  
fished him, she says, from that stream.

(repeat!) 2.

Gmi. C7 E $\flat$ 7 D $\sharp$ 11 Gmi. Gm7

E $\flat$ 7 D $\flat$  F $\sharp$ mi. A $\flat$  E $\flat$ 7 E $\flat$ 7

Allegro *mf* Wa - doo, Wa - doo, Zim bam bod - dle - oo,

ALL SP.L.

*mf*

Bdim.

D7

Fm6

D7

A<sup>b</sup>

Emi.7

ALL

SP. L.

ALL

Zim bam bod - dle - oo,

Hoo - dle ah da wa da,

Hoo - dle ah da wa da,

Gmi.

D

SP. L.

ALL

SP. L.

Scat - ty wah, —

Scat - ty wah. —

Yeah!

It

Gmi.

C

Gmi.

C

Gmi.

C

Gmi.

Tempo I

ain't ne-ces-sa-ri-ly so,

It ain't ne-ces-sa-ri-ly so.

Dey

*a tempo*

C7

D<sup>b</sup>7

C7

D<sup>b</sup>7

A7

D7

tell all you chil - lun De deb - ble's a vil - lun, But 'tain't ne - ces - sa - ri - ly

Gmi.

E $\flat$ 7A $\flat$ 

so. To get in - to Heb-ben don' snap for a seb-ben! Live

*mf*

*mf*

Am7 D7 G6 C7 F

clean! Don'have no fault. Oh, I takes dat gos-pel When - ev - er it's pos'-ble, But

G7 F6

A7(sus4) A7(b5) B $\flat$ +7 Gmi. C Gmi. C.

wid a grain of salt. Me - thus'-lah lived nine hun-dred years, Me -

*mp*

*mp*

Gmi. C Gmi. C7 D $\flat$ 7

thus-lah lived nine hun - dred years, But who calls dat liv - in' When

*mf*

*mf*

C7

D $\flat$ 7

A7

D7

Gmi.

C

no gal 'll give in To no man what's nine hun - dred years?

Cm6

F $\sharp$ 7E $\flat$ 7

G

*mp* *un poco meno*

I'm preach - in' dis ser - mon to show, \_\_\_\_\_ It

*mp* *un poco meno*

C

B7

E $\flat$ mi.

Cm6

G

D+9

*poco a poco cresc.*

*rall.*

ain't nes - sa, ain't nes - sa, ain't nes - sa, ain't nes - sa, ain't ne - ces - sa - ri - ly

*poco a poco cresc.*

*rall.*

G $\flat$ 

*mf a tempo*

so. \_\_\_\_\_

*mf a tempo*

*f*